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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Dr. Zhong-Ru Gan

Application No.: 09/423,100

Filed: October 29, 1999

For: CHIMERIC PROTEIN CONTAINING  
AN INTRAMOLECULAR CHAPERONE-  
LIKE SEQUENCE AND ITS APPLICATION  
TO INSULIN PRODUCTION

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Art Unit: Not yet assigned

PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated August 4, 2000 for 4 months, from September 4, 2000 to December 4, 2000. An appropriate response in the form of a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$695.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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